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MARK TWAIN'S HOME.

A Crystallized Expression of American Humor and Queen Anne.

A Palatial Parlor and a Literary "Don"—Mark's Wit in Dinner Table Conversation—Flashes of His Humor.

[Cor. Chicago Tribune.]

Returning from a trip to Hartford, Conn., I am able to write about a visit to Mark Twain. He lives in very fine style. His house, just out of the thick of the town, is one of the notable mansions of New England. It is a brick house on an elevation by the side of a stylish avenue and just beyond that sad reminder of long years of hospitality and refined pleasure—the home of the late Marshall Jewell. Twain's house is quite as funny as its proprietor. It rambles in three directions at once, it bristles with peaks and chimney-pots, and seems to be made up of an aggregate of extensions, with the back kitchen on the street and the front entrance on one side. In style it seems to be a crystallized expression of an encounter between Mark Twain and Queen Anne, with the humorist in good feather and the monarch singing small.

Within it is simply a palace. When I heard that George W. Cable had stopped there at the time that he gave his first lecture in a little hall not half filled, even by dint heads, I could not help thinking what an impression all this magnificence must have made upon the new beginner. But he could hardly have hoped, even with the most phenomenal success, to secure for himself so grand an establishment. Although many persons, even in Hartford, suppose that to literature is due this palatial home, the fact is that Mrs. Clemens is the source of the bulk of the wealth from which all this sprang. The parlor is a dream of pale-blue satin, stained glass, rich curtains, carved furniture and articles of vertu. A buck negro attends the door and ushers the guests through a great central ante-room luxuriously appointed into the parlor, drawing-room, dining-room, and other apartments which open out of it. Clemens, himself hardly of the nature or training to enjoy much pampering, inhabits a den of his own on the top floor, where there are cigars, pipes and billiards—perhaps better things, to be looked at through glasses.

Here he has a delightful household. Mrs. Clemens is beloved by all who know her, and is at once a perfect mother and housewife and an adept in the ways of hospitality. Her eldest boy has, I am inclined to think, a sense of humor of his own, for when I saw him he had borrowed the handsaw from the house and was, with much patience and skill, sawing at the trunk of a valuable shade-tree in the lawn. Clemens is a genius. He does not have to strain to be funny. He drips with it as some trees do with gum. When Cable came to make his first bow as a lecturer Clemens unfolded a brilliant scheme for having Cable properly introduced to the audience: "Putnam, the publisher, is here," said he, "and Charles Dudley Warner, and Alcott, and Lathrop, and myself. Tell you what I'll do. I'll introduce Warner in a neat speech, Warner'll introduce Lathrop, Lathrop'll make an address presenting Putnam, and Putnam'll introduce the lecturer of the evening." Cable unfeelingly put his foot down upon this ingenious scheme.

Once, at one of his own lectures, when Gen. Joseph R. Hawley was on the platform, Mark stood staring stupidly at the audience, as he always does until it roars with laughter, and then, not yet having said a word, he drew out a neatly-folded white handkerchief, held it up by one corner, and let it straighten itself out. It proved to be a mass of holes, with just a little linen holding them together and apart.

"By gracious!" said the humorist, "I've got Gen. Hawley's handkerchief by mistake."

Mark—and here it ought to be said that he is known to every one in Hartford as "Mr. Clemens," and they speak to him and of him always in that way. There is a funny thing about that. Wherever he goes he is invited to meet a few of the choice spirits of whatever place it is—usually at dinner. As the courses are served the guests call him Mr. Clemens. Over their coffee they call him Clemens. But when the spirits are under way and the hilarity of emotion begins to be felt, somebody is sure to say, "Now, Mark, old boy, tell us that story," etc., and from that moment "Mark" and "Twain" are the only names he is addressed by.

I judge that his writings are merely his spontaneous thoughts edited, for he talks exactly as he writes. The same unexpected ideas, erratic fancies, flashes of humor, and distorted views of commonplace things flow from him, no matter about what or to whom he is talking. His talk is funnier than his writing, however, for he has an indescribable drawl, as Artemus Ward had, and, like Artemus, he is bony, angular, awkward, and possessed of a head out of all proportion to his neck.

"What are we going to do about the death rate?" he inquired of a Hartford friend.

"Why, have you got a death rate?" a third party inquired.

"Have we?" said Clemens. "It's the biggest thing we have got. We beat the world on it. Once in a while some plague-stricken district in Asia comes near our figures, but nothing ever reaches over them. Greenwood cemetery is the only rival we really need to fear."

But he has made plenty of money—enough to make a man live easy and die content. His first book brought him very little, but after that he was able to make better terms. The best property he ever produced, however, is the play of "The Gilded Age." It is a perfect little mint.

Regret of a Practical Joker.

[Chicago Herald.]

George W. Cable regrets the practical joke played on Mark Twain through his agency, and vows that he will never have a hand in another enterprise of the kind. Mr. Cable's joke was arranged several weeks before April 1, and consisted of a concerted demand by Twain's friends for his autograph. Since the joke—a not very uproarious one at best—took place, Mr. Cable has been thinking the matter over, and it has occurred to him that if between the date the joke was agreed upon and the 1st of April—perhaps at the last moment, when too late to recall the letters—some bad visited Mr. Clemens' household there would not have been very much fun in the thing. He is quite right. Under such circumstances the joke would have been turned into a very dismal affair indeed, both for its perpetrators and the victim.

The Ruling Passion.

[Exchange.]

A patent medicine manufacturer died in New York last week. Before he died his friends asked him how he would like to be buried. He had just strength left to say: "Insert my top column next to reading matter fifty-two times electro by mail," and then he closed his eyes and passed away to that bourne where there are no omissions nor wrong insertions.

A Philadelphia dealer in song birds says it costs $5,000,000 a year to feed the canary birds of America.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Various Affairs at Ottawa and Elsewhere.

ABOUT RAILWAYS AND CANALS.

Accidents and Casualties—The Northwest Territory—An Interesting Stone.

A SUNKEN STEAMER RAISED.

Senator Skead will enter upon his duties as Postmaster at Ottawa on the 1st of July, at a salary of $2,600 a year.

The Canadian Pacific receipts for the week ending June 14th were $129,000, against $125,000 last year, an increase of $4000.

Thieves are robbing houses and barns between Brockville and Montreal for the last two weeks, and are still at liberty.

Mr. John McCallum of Rodney, dropped dead in his garden the other evening, while spading around a cherry tree. Deceased was 82 years of age.

The steamer Manitoba, which struck on a reef and sunk at Southampton, Ont., last November, was raised last week and taken to Detroit for repairs.

A very interesting stone obtained at Stony Mountain, Manitoba, has just been put in the collection of the Historical Society. It is supposed to contain an impression of sea weed, and was presented to the society by Mr. Patterson, foreman of the quarry at the mountain.

Philip Emery, for the past few years switchman at the G. T. R. station, drowned himself in the Allen mill dam, between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning. He was a member of the Salvation army, and was driven crazy by religious excitement, brought on by attending their meetings.

Mr. Ridout, C. E., Department of Railways and Canals, has returned the second test of the new Cantilever bridge over Niagara. The bridge was first tested in December of last winter, the test being applied and found satisfactory. The summer test fully established the accuracy of the calculation on which the structure was built.

The committee on discipline of the Beucher's society, who have been hearing the complaint of Macdonell against S. H. Blake, Q.C., report they unanimously find the complaint in question utterly groundless, and that no case of professional or other misconduct, has been made out against Mr. Blake.

A bycyclist has made the journey from Land's End to John O'Groat's, 930 miles, in 15 minutes less than seven days. The machine used was a class hitherto noted rather for safety than speed, the large wheel being lower than usual and receiving power from a hinged lever instead of through a direct crank action.

The Dominion Organ & Piano Company, of Bowmanville, have shipped during the past two weeks one car load of organs and one car load of pianos to Montreal, and one car load of organs to England. They are now busy filling an order for another car load of organs for Hamburg, Germany, and St. Petersburg, Russia.

At the annual meeting of the Canada Southern Railway, held in the offices of the Company, at St. Thomas, on Wednesday, the following were elected directors for the ensuing year: William H. Vanderbilt, Cornelius Vanderbilt, James Tillinghast, A. G. Dalmar, C. F. Fox, S. F. Barger, Sydney Dillon, J. E. Brown and E. A. Wilkes.

Two young farmers from Waterloo, in the state of New York, have taken up a tract of land in the York Farmers' colony, Northwest territory, and are bringing oxen, wagon and a general outfit to commence farming. They pay for everything in $20 American gold pieces, and say they will be joined by many of their friends from New York state next year, who will buy odd-numbered sections.

The London Advertiser says: Toronto is going to a good deal of trouble in advertising its semi-centennial, and no doubt this advertising will do a great deal in attracting throngs to the city. This is a hint that should not be lost on our western fair board. But that is not what we started out to say. What we intended was to tell the Toronto committee that their advertisements have not been edited with skill. One of the hangers is headed "Welcome to Toronto," or something of that kind, and immediately underneath is a picture of a dynamite explosion. If that is the sort of welcome to be expected, the crowd will probably stay away.

A correspondent of an Ottawa paper thus describes two farms in the Northwest Territory: I spent some time at Indian Head and Qu'Appelle and went through the country a distance of eight to ten miles north of the railway, visiting the Sykes farm and the Bell farm. On the Sykes farm the breaking and plowing is done with Fowler's steam ploughs, harrows, etc.; 4000 acres have been sowed in wheat and oats. On 3rd May it was nearly all up, some of it two inches high. This farm is on the odd-numbered sections, and the even-numbered sections are nearly all cultivated by men from Ontario who have done quite as good work with their horses as the steam ploughs. Their houses, though small, are primitive, dot the landscape, giving it pleasant life and variety. There are many small lakes of pure water surrounded by copses of willow and poplar, making a charming landscape, such as Sir Joseph Paxton never even dreamed of in his famed gardening in England. The cover for game is perfect, and in driving, especially if you have a dog, you can see jack rabits, ducks, prairie hens, quail, plover and geese in astonishing numbers. The Bell farm is worked on a complete system of divided and arranged labor, the power being there not steam but horses and oxen. In one field I saw 65 pairs of horses at work breaking up the prairie. Seven thousand five hundred acres have been put in wheat, oats and flax this spring, and on May 5th most of it was over the ground, much of the land tinted with the beautiful green of the springing wheat. The management on this farm is alive to beauty as well as utility, and for proof they had planted at the time I was there sixteen miles with a double row of trees at each side of the road, 250 per mile. A contract has been given, and the contractor finds the trees in the bluffs and plants them at ten cents per tree. They are six to eight feet high, look thrifty and nice, and are certainly a lesson and pattern to be followed in our prairie country.

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FOR NANAIMO—The R. P. Rithet leaves Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m., returning on the alternate days.

FOR BURRARD INLET AND FORT MOODY—The Robert Dunsmuir leaves on Tuesday at 5 a. m. and on Monday of next week for Burrard Inlet and Comox.

FOR PORT HAMMOND—Monday, Wednesday, Friday, at 7 a. m.

JUST SANITARY PRECAUTIONS.

That well-prepared and stringent sanitary laws, provided with all the necessary and due precautions that should be taken to prevent the importation of any contagious disease from foreign countries, none can be more wise than such, to guard the health and welfare of a maratime community.

Due caution, exercised in time, will not only ward off sickness and suffering, but stay the hand of death itself, and no law can be more just or be more commendable than that which is framed to carefully protect the subject against dangerous disease. All such laws are most essential and necessary, and are to be found in every well-governed nation. Their proper administration and enforcement are in keeping with their intent, and are perfectly correct. Too much care, however, cannot be used, while the best judgment should be exercised, so that, in taking due means to protect ourselves, no hurried action, misconception or mal-administration may entail an unintended, yet serious hardship, and great loss which, though of an entirely different character, is nevertheless an unwarranted injury, of an aggravated nature, too, forced upon a large number of innocent and inoffensive people.

There are many who have grave and serious doubts in the case of the Mexico, as to the wisdom or necessity of her detention. Had there been a case of sickness on board at the time of this detention that was of a doubtful kind, then the health officer of this port was fully justified in causing her delay in quarantine. Two days or perhaps only a day after the Mexico had sailed from San Francisco a case of smallpox, and some say it was measles, was discovered on board the Tokio, from which some Chinese passengers had been transhipped to the Mexico. If that was sufficient reason for the present detention, then it is, to say the least of it, a very unjust and a very flimsy one.

This unfortunate and unreasonable action of an over-zealous and injudicious health officer is highly detrimental to the best interests of this city, and is no credit to the Province or to the Dominion, and certainly not at all creditable to himself. It shows a lack of the very elements a public servant in such capacity requires, as necessary and fitting qualifications for this important position. He has not shown the sagacity certainly, neither has he displayed the ability required for safely administering his duties as a servant of the people. Therefore, he could safely be put on the retired list to prevent future mistakes. Such conduct falls like a blight and a mildew on the prosperity of a community, and should be most carefully guarded against in the future.

The landing of any portion of the freight from the quarantined vessel is certain proof that no small pox is even suspected as existing on board, and is positive evidence that the detention has been a grand mistake and an outrage from the beginning.

THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT LAND POLICY.

The reprehensible conduct of the Dominion government in not throwing open for settlement the railway lands in the Fraser river valley, on the mainland, is daily becoming more serious. Already it has been our duty to point out the irreparable injury such a policy as is now pursued is inflicting on our Province. Remonstrances appear to be in vain, for no change has been made in three years. We are at times told that the provisions of the Amended Land Act of 1883 are not applicable to this Province, and that a special act must be passed in our own interest. As many of the clauses in the act now read they are certainly very ambiguous, and few intending settlers can be found to risk their time and capital in the hope that the government will consider their case and treat them all right. Referring to the policy of the government in the Northwest and British Columbia, the Winnipeg Free Press says:

Crass and incomprehensible their policy has continually been, and crass and incomprehensible they have evidently resolved it shall continue to be. Manitoba, although the chief, is not the only sufferer from it. In turn, and not unfrequently in unison, the Provinces are heard complaining.

The chief aim of the Dominion at present should be, and is supposed to be, to secure population to assist in opening up and developing its vast natural resources. No obstacle should be thrown in the way of immigration; no effort spared to obtain and retain desirable settlers. Everything possible should be done to make the country attractive to both our own people and to strangers.

How have the Government discharged their duty in this respect? So far as Manitoba and the Northwest are concerned, the answer is only too obvious. British Columbia, it seems, has been scarcely more fortunate. Without any other apparent reason than the mere wanton desire to cause annoyance and to embarrass intending settlers, the Government, in spite of remonstrance and entreaty, have persistently kept the railway lands of that Province tied up. This at a time when immigration had just commenced. In consequence, we are told, hundreds of immigrants who decline in the present unsatisfactory state of affairs to squat on those lands, have left for the United States and the situation is becoming threatening.

The government's course, so far as we can judge, appears to be simply a repetition of that which they have pursued here. They encourage immigration, and as soon as it begins to flow in freely, set themselves to check it. They have done this frequently in Manitoba. Their mile belt, town site, and south-of-the-railway-belt reserve were maintained until thousands of settlers were driven away or prevented from coming, and the people were almost prepared to rise in arms, and were then reluctantly thrown open, but not before immigration to this country had received a blow from which it will be many a long day in recovering. Probably, when it has been pretty well spread abroad over the world that no land is to be had in British Columbia by settlers, and when the people of that Province have been driven by exasperation to the verge of rebellion, the government will yield with a flourish of trumpets, as they did here, on condition that the people shall be duly thankful for the "liberal concessions" made to them. We have been through it all in Manitoba and can sympathize with our suffering British Columbia brethren.

THE ESQUIMALT GRAVING DOCK.

The following from the Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto Globe, may throw some light on the delay in commencing operations on the dry dock. In writing on the work the correspondent says: An exceedingly pretty game Sir John A. Macdonald tried to play in connection with this work. When new tenders for its construction were called for the Premier is said to have urged Mr. J. J. Hawkins, ex-M. P., to form a partnership with certain contractors and tender for the work, assuring him that the men with whom he allied himself would get the contract. The Premier considered this the easiest way of getting rid of the ex-usurper, who was getting importunate. Only two tenders were received. They were those of Messrs. M. Starrs & Co., $384,000, and Baskerville, O'Conner & Co., $530,000. The old contract with McNamee & Co. was for $300,000, the Government to furnish the cement. Mr. McNamee refused to tender, contending that the Government had wronged him in taking the contract out of his hands. Mr. Starrs was notified that his tender was the lowest, but "for certain good reasons best known to himself" he declined to enter into the contract.

Now there remained only Messrs. Baskerville & Co., with whom Mr. Hawkins had allied himself, and the latter was jubilant and "flush" for some days. But though Sir John was extremely anxious that the contract should go to Baskerville, Hawkins & Co., there were difficulties in the way. The friends of McNamee & Co. protested that as Baskerville's tender was $200,000 above Mr. McNamee's old contract price, it should be handed back to Mr. McNamee, who was willing to complete it at that rate. McNamee's deposit was still in the Government's hands, and if the work was given to Baskerville at $530,000 the consequences to the Government might be serious when all the facts became known. And when Sir Hector Langevin discovered that Hawkins, who supported the Orange bill, was a partner with Baskerville & Co., he was furious, and declared that they should not have the contract upon any conditions. Hence the little scheme was knocked in the head, and new tenders for the building of the graving dock will be called for in a few days. Meanwhile Mr. Hawkins, having declined the paltry position offered him in the Northwest, must remain here, waiting anxiously for something to turn up.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Particulars of the Northern Pacific Land Grant.

THE LATEST FROM EGYPT.

American Railways in Mexico--A Democratic Convention--The Cholera in France.

INTERESTING MARINE NEWS.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LAND GRANT.

ST. PAUL, June 27.—Mr. Oakes, Vice President of the Northern Pacific Railroad, was seen late to-night in regard to the report of the House Committee on the forfeiture of the land grant of his road. Oakes said very little, if anything, could be added to what had already been said in regard to this attempted injustice to the Northern Pacific. He claimed that, as they were going along in good faith to complete the line, and had shown by what they had done that they were at work in good faith to carry out the contract with the government. He added: We are at work now building from Ainsworth west, and have contracted twenty-five miles from the Ainsworth end, and twenty-five miles from the Puget Sound end, and we take the position that the land grant is a land grant or present, that is, a grant actually made and for a specific purpose; one that could not be donated to any other object. We concede the right of the government to dispose of the public land to build a road, but we don't recognize the right of the government to use lands for other purposes. The grant is for a specific object the people demanded the road to other roads. The government gave money to this one, and, had the government stepped in when the road failed to be completed in the time specified, and taken the lands and used them for the purpose of finishing the road, that would have been a different thing; but it did not do it. The government says the road was finished after the time specified in the grant, and made no objection to the managers going on and finishing it under these circumstances, and has no right now to withdraw the lands from us, unless it does so to complete the road itself.

AMERICAN RAILWAYS IN MEXICO.

GALVESTON, Texas, June 26.—A New Laredo special, received to-day, direct from the City of Mexico, gives the startling news that American railroads in Mexico are to be handicapped by a law requiring that all railways in that country will be required to fence the entire length of their lines with fences on both sides, which will be stock proof, even to the keeping out of goats. It is intimated that the Mexican Central will have to expend five million dollars to comply with such a law. The Mexican Government has appointed an Inspector of railways whose duties shall be to supervise and regulate train schedules. It is also provided that no special train can run without first obtaining his consent.

DEMOCRATIC DELEGATES.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—Hon. T. J. Clunie, a prominent San Francisco lawyer, who was appointed delegate-at-large from this State to the Chicago Democratic Convention, stated before his departure that he wanted Charles A. Dana, editor of the New York Sun, as a candidate for President of the United States. There are also a number of other California delegates, it is stated, will support Dana if his name is placed in nomination.

LATEST FROM EGYPT.

CAIRO, June 27.—General Mickenfell Arnold goes immediately to Assouin, where the rebels are massing near Abner Hulid. There was a steady and increased firing at Sonakim last evening. The general conduct of the Egyptian troops is very good.

PURIFYING TOULON.

TOULON, June 26.—Fires are burning in the streets for purifying purposes.

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WANTED.—A good copyist wishes employment. Work could be done at home. References given. Address "M" Times Office.

WANTED.—Position as barkeeper or hotel clerk by an experienced man. Alpha, Cosmopolitan Hotel, Port street.

WANTED.—Boy for a dry goods store. Apply in applicant's own hand writing, A. B., this office

SITUATION WANTED.—A respectable young man desires a position as salesman in a clothing house. Address Box B, TIMES OFFICE.

WANTED.—A small house, either furnished or partially so, for a small family across James Bay preferred. Apply by letter to BOX A. TIMES Office.

FURNISHED COTTAGE WANTED.—A couple with one child would pay a handsome rent for a cottage fairly well furnished, in a pleasant and elevated position. Send address to J. Anderson, Victoria Daily TIMES.

WANTED.—A suite of rooms in the suburbs for a couple with a family of three; word may be left at the Victoria Daily TIMES business office.

WANTED, the public to know that bargains in Real Estate are offered by W. H. Mason, Government street, near the postoffice.

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Plans and specifications can be seen on application to the Secretary at Messrs. Harrison & McAlister's store, Johnson street.
Also, until Friday the 27th inst. at 2 o'clock p. m., for the privilege of selling wines, liquors, lemonade, etc., and cigars, and for refreshments and for candy and fruit stall.
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LOCAL NEWS.

A Citizens' Meeting Called for To-Night.

PASCO SUFFERING INTENSELY.

A Frightful Fall--Soldiers Bound Out--Coronation Day--Alaskan News--Queen Freight List.

THE INDIAN CANOE RACES

The Citizens Meeting To-Night.

The public meeting of citizens, called for this evening, will probably be attended by all classes of business men. Those who are strong supporters of the government will be present, as well as those who are dissatisfied with affairs as they are at present, and have been for months past. It is worth while for each citizen however, on going to this meeting, to ponder well what he intends doing and saying. Important matters are to be considered, such as the dry dock, the Settlement Bill, and the general attitude of the Dominion Government toward this Province. Everyone knows there is enough to talk about, but it needs to be well weighed. Nothing should be said or done prematurely. The matters to be considered are of vital importance, and they should receive the most candid and careful attention, being discussed in an entirely patriotic and unprejudiced manner.

The DeVivo Company.

A select audience greeted the Italian Opera company at Philharmonic hall last night, and, as was to be expected, the musical entertainment was far in advance of anything of the sort ever heard in this city for a good while. A grand aria—"Vieni," by Signor Bologna, and "O Mio Fernando," by Mme. Zeppili Villani, were enthusiastically encored. "Rigoletto," by Signor Baldanza, was also very well rendered. "En Tu," by Signor Villani, and a grand duo, "Crispino e la Comare," by Mme. Godini and Signor Bologna, closed the first part of the programme amidst great applause. The music is sweet, classical and will everywhere be appreciated by lovers of music, and those measurably proficient by long years of practice. Other features might be dwelt upon, but complimentary remarks are not necessary, when the music was so highly appreciated as it was. To-night there will be a miscellaneous programme, including scenes and acts from Faust.

Object of Mr. Stokes' Visit.

Several of our citizens, knowing that Mr. A. L. Stokes, general freight and passenger agent of the Oregon Railway and Navigation company, had arrived in the city, wondered if his trip did not have some particular significance, especially as British Columbia railroad matters are just now being agitated. A TIMES reporter who met Mr. Stokes to-day, was informed, however, that his visit was merely a routine one, and was not occasioned by any business outside of the usual order. Mrs. Stokes and some friends accompanied him, and the entire party intend returning to Portland on the early morning boat.

Coronation Day.

In lieu of the usual observances of the Queen's birthday as a holiday on the 24th of May, which were omitted on account of the death of Prince Leopold, quite a number of our citizens are preparing to celebrate Coronation Day, which occurs to-morrow, in more than the usual manner. However, most of the observances will be made in a quite manner. The banks, wholesale houses, and many of the leading retail stores, with other branches of business, will be closed, as will the various government offices, also.

Soldiers Bound for Wyoming.

There left, aboard the steamer Idaho, to-day, bound for Wyoming, the officers and men of the 21st Infantry Co. The former were Lieut.-Col. Chambers, commanding officer; Sergeant Vickery, Captains Jocelyn and Bradley, and Lieut. Truitt, besides seventy-one soldiers. Most of them have been stationed at Port Townsend for the past five years and they will find a great change of climate and scenery in the quarter to which they have been assigned.

Frank's Cove Excursion.

Coronation day occurring to-morrow, the Victoria Rifle club have thought it fitting to go on a basket picnicing excursion. Accordingly they have chartered the steamer Princess Louise, and will leave the C. P. N. Co.'s wharf in the morning at 8 o'clock, for Uncle Frank's cove, Sooke. Tickets cost but $1, and it is quite likely that a good many Victorians will go.

A Horse Injured.

It is stated that about 8 o'clock this morning, while a number of vehicles were at the outer wharf, Bowman's hack team backed against one of Barney Dillon's horses, which was also hitched to a hack, and placed the animal in a semi-impaled position on the body loop, tearing off some of the skin and flesh. The wheel had to be taken off in order to release the horse.

A Bad Fall.

This afternoon while some Chinamen were at work on a scaffold in rear of a building on Store street, the scaffolding give way and one of them was precipitated to the ground. He struck on his head and was knocked insensible. After restoratives had been administered he recovered and was able to walk home.

Indian Canoe Races.

The Port Townsend Argus, of the 26th, says: "Judge Swan returned from Victoria this morning. He reports good success in getting British Columbia Indians in our canoe races on the Fourth." He has also visited Neah Bay and other places, and received promises from the Indians that they will be present.

From Alaska.

Steamer Idaho, Capt. Carroll, arrived to-day from Alaska, via the Sound, bringing 22 packages of furs and skins, and one passenger. She left at noon for San Francisco, taking the following passengers: Thos. Kirkpatrick, A. S. Ward, A. Saunders, Miss Fairchild, Miss Hope and A. Hasen.

School of Gunnery to Shoot.

Members of the School of Gunnery meet to-morrow afternoon at Fort Finlayson, Beacon Hill, to practice. They will fire a salute of twenty-one guns.

From the Mainland.

Steamer Enterprise arrived this afternoon with J. Elliott, F. Gray, M. Strouss, Major Dupont, and Dr. Pearl on board from New Westminster.

THE QUARANTINED STEAMER.

What the Public Generally Think About It--A Conversation Between Passengers.

Much indignation has been expressed at the injustice of quarantining the steamer Mexico, and passengers off Albert Head. This indignation has not been confined to those aboard of the ship, but extends throughout the city of Victoria, and is the subject of remark and adverse criticism in all the Sound towns, in San Francisco and elsewhere on the coast. Comment has become general, and it is not favorable to the cumbrous machinery which entailed all this useless and unwarrantable trouble on the passengers and owners of the Mexico. The following is a sample conversation of many heard aboard one of the ocean steamers yesterday:

"There she is; that's her. There she is. See that unfortunate Mexico still lying off there in quarantine, and the telegraph tells us she will be kept there till July 6, by order from Ottawa, of course."

"Gewhillicans, ye don't say! Lay out there in the cowld on the glorious Fourth, and fur what, w ll yese tell me?"

"Oh, she is quarantined, they say; but it looks more like spite, or it may be stupidity, under the circumstances. She left San Francisco with as clean a bill of health as the Queen has got. Two days after the Mexico had sailed, for Victoria, however, a case of smallpox, or measles, some say, was discovered on board of the Tokio, in a Chinese baby, and as some Chinese passengers had been transferred from that steamer on board of the Mexico, the authorities up here thought it wise to detain that fine ship with several hundred passengers on board to give them a chance to see how easily the strong hand of the law could inconvenience them, under the merest pretext for enforcing it."

"But none of the Mexico's passengers, steerage or cabin, were ill, were they? Be me faith, my own pardner's amongst them, too, may the Lord bless his sowl, this very minit, and he had no thought of no smallpox, neither. D'ye mane they have kept him there alongst wid all the rest uv them? What will his gurl say or think? Tim was on his way to git marrit, he was now, and to wan uv the purtiest little creathurs on the Sound. She'll go clean, stark, ravin' and wid grief, she will, oh, the murtherin' villains!"

"What makes this matter look worse is the fact that besides the Chinese, who were shipped on board the Mexico, there were about 100 others shipped on another steamer, which sailed up north, and then all the white cabin passengers of the Tokio were landed and distributed over the country. Some of these went to Victoria itself, by Portland, and nothing has been done with any of them. But the Mexico with several hundred passengers is detained in quarantine, simply because a case of smallpox or measles was discovered in San Francisco two days after she sailed."

"Bad cess to them all, if I only had Tim at I wadn't mind the insult to our national flag so much. Don't yese think now I could swear out something that would git him away,—a nalaby nol persicuit, or somethin' same as we gat in the states, for gittin a man clear when he's in throuble?"

"I think not, the English are great sticklers for law, and they will be likely to keep the Mexico with her head bobbing to the wind in the Royal Roads for her full term, even if they are in the wrong."

"I will bet ye a new silver dollar, the majesty of the English law will never git a chance at this child, unless the small pox has broken out at San Francisco since the Queen left it—and musha me, wadn't that be a mishfortune shure.

Supposin' it breaks out in the Mexico in 21 days, will she have to lie there for another 21 days, and so on, until the last man and mother's son of the passengers, has had the disease, or dies from it now. Tell me! bad luck to them!"

"That's the way I look at it, and all that could have been got rid of if they had fumigated the ship on arrival in the first place, instead of keeping them all lying here so long at heavy loss, expense and anxiety to friends at a distance."

A meeting of the board of health of San Francisco, was held just a week ago, concerning the steamer

CITY OF TOKIO.

And in reference to that meeting, showing the sensible steps taken the Alta Californian has the following: Mr. Williams, of Williams, Dimond & Co., agents for the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, addressed the Board. He stated the company took especial pains to keep the steamers clean. Concerning the case of the child arriving here on the last steamer with small pox, he said it must have been concealed, as there were numerous places on board a large vessel like the City of Tokio where persons could be hidden. He said all the Chinese passengers on the late steamers had been transferred, with the white officers and the entire crew, to the old China, and he asked that she be allowed to come to the dock, as she could come in safely.

Dr. McAllister said that nothing more could be done to prevent any further cases on the steamer, as every precaution had been taken.

Dr. Shorb moved that the steamer be allowed to come to dock—the officers and crew to be transferred to the China. Carried.

LOCAL NOTES.

Warren D. Beck, of the firm of Beck Bros. & Co., died at New Westminster yesterday, of consumption.

Messrs. Smith & Reynor have erected three huge advertising boards for the display of Cole's circus bills, and the "small boy" is delighted with the pictures displayed.

There were no cases before the Police Magistrate this morning. As to-morrow is a legal holiday it is stated that there will be no sitting of the said court.

Esquimalt School Examination.

The examination at the Esquimalt public school, teacher, Mr. W. H. Phelps, was held to-day. Among those present were Mrs. Innes, Mrs. Pope, Mr. Pope, the Superintendent of Education, Messrs Cartmel, Doran, Campbell and others. After the junior class had been examined by the teacher in reading, spelling and arithmetic, etc., the senior classes were examined in geography, history, arithmetic, and mental arithmetic by the Supt. of Education and Mr. Cartmel, who expressed themselves highly gratified at the manner in which the scholars conducted themselves during the examination. The following pupils were then presented with prizes: Alfred Cartmel, Victor Howard, Ada Williams, Nellie Doran, Chas. Phillips, Fred Innes, and Nellie Williams. A special prize for deportment, presented by the Superintendent of Education, was awarded by vote of the school to Master Alfred Cartmel. After addresses by Mr. Pope and Mr. Cartmel, and three cheers being given for the Superintendent of Education and the trustees respectively, the school was dismissed for vacation.

Suffering Intensely.

Edward Pascoe, the unfortunate man whose left hand was amputated, was suffering a good deal to-day.

Freight by the Queen.

Per steamer Queen of the Pacific, Captain E. M. Alexander, from San Francisco to Victoria:

A J Rowbotham	A Meyer & Co
A Other	A Boyd & Co
Belmont & Tanning Co	C Redfern
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Mrs. Foster's Lecture.

Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather last night, the Methodist church was completely crowded last night to hear the celebrated temperance lecturer, Mrs. Judith P. Foster.

Mrs. Pollard presided over the meeting, and after the customary opening exercises called on Hon. John Robson to deliver an address of welcome, but the remarks of the Honorable gentleman were entirely inaudible through the room. Mrs. Foster, in replying, referred pleasantly to the two flags which were twined together at the entrance, and expressed the belief that some of the young of the present day would live to see the time when no wars or strife would be known wherever those flags floated. The subject "The Women of the Realm against the Liquor Traffic," was then entered on. The women claimed the right of impeaching the liquor traffic, they would submit evidence and demand a verdict in accordance with the argument submitted. The charge was that the traffic attacks the life of the state. The state, or body politic, is an aggregate of individuals with a government, and that government exists for the protection of human rights. As the senses are useful only as they protect life, so government is useful only as it protects the state, which is humanity. The state had sustained material loss from the traffic, and the government should put it away in consequence. The lecturer also claimed that abstinence was absolutely necessary to all who wish to acquire the highest development, either mental, physical or moral. The lecture closed by an appeal to all young men to show their chivalry by lending their aid and influence to the ladies to overcome the great evil. The lecture was highly entertaining and was delivered in a very pleasing and effective manner.

VICTORIA MARINE MATTERS.

The bark Remijio, Capt. Howard, from Honolulu, with a cargo of Sandwich Island molasses for Victoria merchants, arrived in the harbor here at about 5 o'clock this morning. Not being familiar with the depth of water she accidentally went slightly aground near the dead house, but will come off at high tide.

The little steamer Dolphin, which has been taking off the delayed freight from the Mexico, is now lying at Rithet's wharf.

Two full rigged ships, one of them under full sail, the other in tow of a tug, passed up, bound for the Sound, between 6 and 7 o'clock this morning. The names of none are known. But the ships are undoubtedly going in for lumber.

North Pacific arrived about 3 o'clock to-day, bringing a number of passengers and a large amount of freight.

Steamers Eliza Anderson and Geo. E. Starr left for Seattle to-day.

PERSONAL.

Richard P. Dowdall, who, as before announced, arrived here some days ago to purchase a substantial stock for a new railway supply store at Cherry Creek, near Kamloops, completed all his business matters yesterday and this morning left per steamer for the upper country.

E. McPhetridge, the well-known business man of Yale, accompanied by his wife, was a passenger on the steamer which arrived from California to-day.

A. L. Maxwell, general ticket agent of the North Pacific and other roads, at Portland, will arrive here to-night on the steamer North Pacific, accompanied by his family.

Sam Kohn, who has been merchandising at Fort Wrangle for the past several years, and is interested in one of the northern canneries, arrived here on the steamer Idaho from Alaska this morning.

Don Pasquale.

This charming, comic opera, in four acts, by Donizetti, will be produced for the first time in Victoria, in its entirety, by the DeVivo Italian Opera Company. The opera will be given in the same style of dress as in London and America. The music is considered the most sparkling of the Italian repertoire of comic operas.

GENERAL NOTICES.

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QUEEN OF THE PACIFIC.

Arrival at 3 A. M. To-Day.--A Large Quantity of Freight--A Smooth and Safe Voyage--Much Interesting Personal News.

The steamer Queen of the Pacific, which was expected yesterday evening, reached this port at 3 o'clock this morning from San Francisco, which city she left about 10 a. m. of Tuesday, the 24th, encountering a stiff head wind during the balance of the first day. After that she had remarkably pleasant weather, accompanied by a fine southerly breeze. She brought ninety-six cabin and forty-six steerage passengers. Thirty-three cabin and thirteen steerage passengers were for this city, and the balance for various parts of the Sound. The steamer had 1205 tons of freight, nearly 500 tons of it being for Victoria, and the remainder for the Sound.

NEWSY PERSONAL POINTS.

Among the passengers were Professor A. M. Bell and wife, as tourists. This gentleman is a native of London, England, but has spent much of his time in Canada. Now, however, he resides in Washington, so as to be near his son, Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the world-renowned Bell telephone. The professor is a fine specimen of an English gentleman, and is an excellent conversationalist, whose society is made remarkably pleasant through his highly interesting and versatile powers of speech. It is his purpose to take in all the sights on the Island. Then he and Mrs. Bell will visit the mainland, and will go by the Sound to Portland, where they will take the Northern Pacific railroad, returning by the great wonderland of the Yellowstone district, en route to their home in the capital of the United States.

Capt. J. C. Cousins, wife and daughter, are also on a visit of pleasure to the beautiful Northwest. The Captain has the superintendance of the dry dock at San Francisco.

The Misses Dunsmuir, accompanied by their brother, Alexander Dunsmuir, Esq., manager of the business of Robert Dunsmuir & Son, at San Francisco, are returning to Victoria perfectly satisfied that the great metropolis of California, with all its vaunted sights, pleasures and enjoyments has nothing so attractive or yet so pleasing to them as is afforded by their beautiful Island home at Victoria. Mr. Alexander Dunsmuir will return very shortly to his duties at San Francisco.

A PROMINENT CLERGYMAN.

The Rev. Father Conway, pastor of St. Rosas Cathedral at Santa Rosa, California, was also among the list. The reverend gentleman has been at Santa Rosa for over seven years, and has always been known as a zealous worker in the cause of his religion. So close has he applied himself to his arduous duties that he has gathered round him an immense congregation. The work has increased so rapidly as to impair his health, and his physician advised him to take a sea voyage, and it seemingly has had the desired effect, at least partially. He will remain here for some two weeks, returning about the 9th or 10th of July, when it is to be hoped his holiday will have restored him to perfect health.

Hugh Wallace, Esq., a lineal descendent of the great man of that illustrious name, came up on a business tour. Mr. Wallace represents the great type foundry of Marder, Luse & Co., of Chicago, of which he is a resident partner at San Francisco. This firm is one of the best and most favorably known houses in the line in the United States, and has supplied more newspapers than any other two firms in the country. Mr. Wallace has justly gained a high reputation for probity and honest dealing among the fraternity, and is consequently a favorite with all he may have dealings with.

E. Ranout, after a very enjoyable time at various points in California during his vacation, returns to Victoria and his duties with renewed health, but—alone.

Mrs. Hooper, wife of Capt. Hooper, and Mrs. Doyle, wife of the Chief Engineer of the U. S. revenue cutter, Richard Rush, now lying at Port Townsend, are on the way to join their husbands.

Judge Lewis, wife and children, are returning to their home at Seattle.

E. Hanson, proprietor of the Tacoma lumber mill, is up on one of his quarterly visits to his large properties on the Sound.

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THE MULE.

The smile of spring is blessing all the hills,
The robin's note sounds from the shadowed vale,
The blue bird's ecstacy the morning fills,
The brown leaves rustle in the woodland trail,
And thy clear voice, glad harbinger of spring,
Trills through the land like some bright, joyous thing.

I know thy song; ah, jocund as the day,
Oft have I heard thee cry aloud for feed;
And wakened by thy trumpet-sounding bray
How I have cursed thee and thy patient breed.
How I have smiled to see thy restless hoof
Lift a man through the vaulted stable-roof.

Yet thou art kind: I never knew thee, mule,
Kick man or Injun whom thou couldst not reach.
And thou hast learned, in harsh experience' school,
To practice always better than you preach.
E'en while, with drooping lids, you doze and sleep,
Still do your heels their sleepless vigils keep

How is it, with a leg not five feet long,
Thou kick'st across a seven-acre lot?
Thou art a giant on the go, but twice as strong
Thou art, to hold thyself in one small spot.
From dewy morn till eve, from eve till dewy morn,
I've seen thee balk, and sleep, and smile in scorn.

Oh, gentle mule—whoa, there! whoa, mule! hold hard!
I sing no more if thou dost turn around;
There is no beauty in thy after guard;
I will stand where thine eyes' soft light is found,
Here at thy gentle face—whoa! soft, don't act the fool—
I will—whoa-ho! Ho! Help! Police! Dog gone a mule. ROBT. J. BURDETTE.

A One-Line Railway.

[London Globe.]

A very clear description is given in The Field of the Lastique Balance railway, which has been the object of so much attention at the agricultural show in Paris. It consists of a single bar of iron, supported in its horizontal position three or four feet high by iron standards rising like the legs of a tressel from a flat plate resting on the ground. Along the top of the bar rail runs a deeply grooved wheel, carrying its own oil boxes, and attached to a long iron frame on each side, which is bent downward and upward, and fitted with paniers and carryers hanging down to within a short distance of the ground. Into these receptacles is placed the load to be carried, half of it on each side, but if the one side should be rather more heavily loaded than the other, the working of the apparatus is not thereby destroyed, nor is the friction perceptibly increased. The railway can be put up by a couple of workmen at the rate of several hundreds yards a day, and where curves have to be contrived all that is necessary is to bend the bar rail to the required extent.

It seems that the apparatus, which has since been patented, was devised by M. Lastique in Algeria to enable the Alfa plant, which is used in paper manufacture, to be brought from remote districts to the nearest towns. Carriage on the back of mules or camels was found so expensive that it did not pay to transport this cheap product in that way, and it will be easily understood that if it was found cheaper to carry such things by the one-line railway, there can be no objection to the new invention on economic grounds. With the help of it it is found that a pony or mule, or camel can easily draw twenty or thirty loaded wagon baskets. Its utility in Europe is supposed likely to be greatest on large farms, where it may be employed for very divers purposes, such as the carriage of roots, stone, water and manure. By putting a chair into the baskets such vehicle can also be made to carry two men with ease and comfort.

The True Blue-Grass Region.

[Ranck's Guide.]

"What is the blue-grass region?" is a question strangers almost invariably ask. Strictly speaking, the blue-grass region of Kentucky is quite extensive, but this term in its popular sense applies only to the remarkable body of land in the center of the state, which comprises six or eight counties surrounding Lexington. This favored district which a scientific authority has styled "the very heart of the United States," is underlaid by a decomposable limestone, which imparts to the soil an unsurpassed fertility, and gives to our grass, known to botanists as Poa Pratensis, a rich and permanent luxuriance which it attains nowhere else. Hence the term "the blue-grass region," a synonym for the acme of fertility of a district, which also bears the proud distinction of "the garden spot of the world."

But why our grass is called "blue," when it never is blue, is one of the unsolved problems. It is always green except when in bloom, when the heads have a brownish-purple tint. If, however, the term "blue-grass" is meant for an abbreviation of blue limestone grass, then it will do, for certainly it only reaches its highest perfection on our wonderful blue limestone soil. Propagated without cultivation, it comes up thick and juicy early in the spring, ripens in June, renews its growth in autumn, and, retaining its verdure in spite of snow and ice, furnishes abundant and unequaled pasturage during the entire winter. It is believed to be indigenous.

Our Motto from a Roman Salad.

John Randolph Tucker, congressman from Virginia, recently told the following story, which is reproduced by the Washington correspondent of The Philadelphia Record: "Years ago one of the most intelligent and most highly cultivated men in public life, a great statesman, came over from the other side of the house to my desk, and, knowing my idiosyncrasy in regard to the tariff, said: 'Tucker, whatever political barriers rise between us, let there be free trade between you and me in literature and science.' 'With all my heart, Garfield,' said I, for it was the late president.

Not long after that we were reading Virgil together, and we came across his description of the preparation of a Roman salad. He dwells, you remember, on the whiteness of the milk and the greenness of the herbs, and then on the peculiar resultant color after they have been mixed together. There occurs the phrase, 'color pluribus in unis.' 'There, Tucker,' said Garfield, 'that's where we get our "E Pluribus Unum."' 'What,' said I, 'do you mean to say that we get our national motto from a Roman salad?' 'Certainly,' he said; 'there's the "unis" (one), you see.' 'Yes,' said I, 'and there's the "pluribus" (many), too. You must never forget that this an indissoluble union of indestructible states.'"

Too Unhandy.

[Arkansaw Traveler.]

The Japanese word for hell is "Jigoku." It looks as if it might fill the bill.—Norristown Herald.

Yes, but it is unhandy. Think we'd all better stick to the word with which we are the more familiar, for there are times when one word—the proper word, you understand—is needed, and when a man needs it, like the Texan who wanted the pistol, he wants it "and wants it bad."

QUEER GAMBLING.

The Amusing Performance of a Cab Horse Traveling Up Hill.

The Brokers of the Stock Exchange Risk a Couple of Hundred on a Hot Midsummer Day.

["Duranda's" New York Letter.]

One of the most amusing cases of gambling that I ever saw was in Broad street. It was about 4 o'clock one summer afternoon, and there were several hundred brokers wandering about in front of the stock exchange and talking about the day. It had been a particularly stormy day, and the men were idly chatting in the shade, when an old cab horse started from New street up Broad to the corner of Wall street. This block of Broad street is a bit of a hill. The cabman, who was sitting on a fire-plug on the upper corner, whistled to his horse, which was standing in the shade a block below. The horse wandered up ten or fifteen feet and then stopped. The cabby whistled again. The horse struggled up fifteen or twenty feet more. By easy stages he finally arrived at the top of the hill. The performance amused the brokers, who yelled to the horse to stop and go on. The animal would obey them spasmodically, but in the end he heeded his master's whistle and went on.

One of the most popular young brokers caught an idea, and running along he explained it rapidly to the boys. Then he took his hat, collected $2 from each of them, explained the matter to the driver and led the old cab-horse back to the lower corner, turned him around and placed him in a position to travel up the hill along the curb again. The brokers then ranged themselves along the curbstone at any distance apart that suited their fancy, and the leader of the scheme got a piece of chalk from one of the bucket-shops and marked out lines along the curbstone at the distance of about two feet apart. Each of the brokers chose one of these lines and stood by it. The pool, which amounted to nearly $200, was to go to the man near whose chalk-mark the hub of the rear wheel of the cab stopped, the hub to remain opposite the chalk-mark for thirty seconds by the watch of an official time-keeper. The cabman was to receive $10 for whistling to the best of his ability, and if the horse got to the top of the block without stopping anywhere he was to renew the trial until too weary to go the length of the block if it kept him awake all night.

Here was the spectacle of nearly 100 men, fully three-quarters of them of dignified appearance and well-dressed and prosperous looking, and many of them apparently sedate, ranged along the curbstone shouting wildly at each other and gesticulating violently toward the horse. The time-keeper sat on the roof of his cab, with his hat on the back of his head, a cigar in his mouth and a watch in his hands. The brokers were permitted to yell at the beast, but under no circumstances to touch him. The cabman whistled. The brokers yelled "Whoa!" with a force that brought the people from the neighboring streets to learn the nature of the row. The horse stood stock still. The cabby whistled. Another terrific yell from the brokers. Then, with a jump, the horse started on a dead gallop up the hill, spilled the time-keeper from the top of the cab and went around the corner of Wall street with a howling mob of 200 men and boys after him.

It was a roasting hot day, and the dust was choking. Still the brokers kept at it. The beast was brought back and started again. After two more trials he ambled nimbly up the hill, and then suddenly and stubbornly stopped and couldn't be made to move by the wildest shouts of the men about him. He stayed more than half a minute in this place, and a dispute arose between two brokers as to who had won the $200, because the hub had stopped between their two chalk marks. They flipped a quarter and the winner took a crowd of men into Delmonico's, opened a case or two of wine, and gave the cab driver $10 to take him home.

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